# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 2409**

January 11, 2010

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Defines "base period" with respect to unemployment compensation for claimants who have received temporary total workers' compensation benefits. Excludes periods of temporary total disability under the workers compensation law from calculation of the base period and requires that the base period be determined from the last four completed quarters of work before any such disability.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Increase State Expenditures \$44,000/One-Time/Unemployment Insurance Fund \$183,000/Recurring/Unemployment Insurance Fund

### Assumptions:

- A one-time expenditure of \$44,000 to edit mainframe programming.
- A recurring increase in state expenditures resulting from an increase in the number of unemployment compensation claimants.
- The Department of Labor and Workforce Development estimates that there will be an increase of 50 cases per year. The average duration of a claim is 16.1 weeks and the average weekly benefit amount is \$226.94. This will result in an increase in state expenditures of approximately \$183,000 (\$183,000 = 50 claims x 16.1 weeks x \$226.94 benefits).

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director